

REMARKS

The specification was objected to as containing a Table containing potential new matter. It is respectfully submitted that the addition to the Table in the previous amendment did not contain new matter and was merely an explanation of the reactivity of three of the ingredients of the samples. However, in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, Applicants have deleted the matter added to the Table in the previous amendment. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the specification.

Claims 1 – 13 are pending in this application.

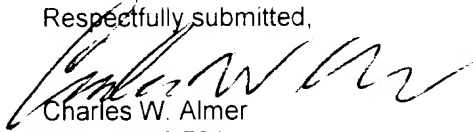
Claims 1 – 2, 4, 6 – 8, 10 and 12 – 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 3,994,764, issued to Wolinski. Claims 1 and 7 have been amended to define the adhesive of the present invention as a one-part adhesive and not as a two-part adhesive such as disclosed by Wolinski. As anticipation under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) requires identity of invention, in view of the differences between Wolinski and the present invention it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 – 2, 4, 6 – 8, 10 and 12 – 13 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Wolinski.

Claims 5 and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Wolinski in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,020,429, issued to Yang. Claims 1 – 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,869,593, issued to Helmeke in view of Wolinski and over Wolinski in view of Helmeke. Claims 1 – 4, 6 – 10 and 12 – 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable in view of Wolinski in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,808,255, issued to Markevka. Claims 5 – 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Wolinski in view of Markevka and further in view of Yang and Helmeke. Claims 1 – 4, 6 – 10 and 12 – 13 were rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Wolinski in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,827,926, issued to Shimizu. Finally, claims 5 and 11 were rejected as unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Wolinski in view of Shimizu and further in view of Yang and Helmeke.

It is respectfully submitted that in view of the amendments to claims 1 and 7 the present application is patentable over the cited references. Specifically, in addition to the distinctions set forth in the previous response by the Applicants, have amended claims 1 and 7 to clearly define the adhesive as a one-part adhesive that provides sufficient green strength so that clamping is not required during use. It is respectfully submitted that none of the combinations set forth above would lead one skilled in the art to the present invention, as amended. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 – 13 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over the cited references.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. If there are any issues that the Examiner wishes to discuss, he is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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